SHRI M.V. CHANDRA SEKHARA MURTHY:
SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:

will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Air India to bring structural changes in its organisation and fleet planning and management;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon;

(c) whether the Air India is facing stiff international competition; and

(d) if so, the steps being contemplated to tide over the situation?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (d). Air India has decided to have a more modern and younger fleet in the coming year. However, it is difficult to give an estimate of the likely expenditure at this stage.

Air India is also in the process of finalising a corporate strategy plan in order to meet the competitive challenges. The strategy involves upgrading of areas of consumer contact, provision of comprehensive package of services to the consumer and improving the efficiency of operation.

Enhanced Advertisement Tariff of Doordarshan

4099. SHRI RABI RAY:
SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to enhance the advertisement tariff of Doordarshan; and

(b) if so, th details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) No, Sir.

(b) does not arise.

OCB 283 Technology in Rural Areas

4100. SHRI PRAFUL PATEL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the french Company, Alcatel, has agreed to transfer its latest OCB 283 technology to public sector,

(b) if so, whether this technology has reached to the ITI;

(c) whether this technology has helped the Department of Telecom. in regard to expansion of Telecom. facilities in the country particularly in rural areas; and

(d) if so, the details of rural areas of the country which have been brought under this scheme?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Not yet, Sir

(c) and (d). In view of (b), do not arise.

[*Translation*]

Construction of Resort Exclusively for Foreigners

4101. SHRI MUMTAZ ANSARI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state: